

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES November 17, 2005 For immediate release

1. Meetings will discuss proposed fees for wastewater permits

MEETINGS WILL DISCUSS PROPOSED FEES FOR WASTEWATER PERMITS

DES MOINES — The DNR will hold 18 public hearings across the state via the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) to discuss proposed fees for holders of wastewater construction and operating permits.

The DNR is proposing to collect fees for wastewater construction and operating (NPDES) permits. Fee requirements are proposed to be added for NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) General Permit No. 5 (Mining and Processing Facilities), for construction permits, and for municipal, semi-public, operation, industrial, and animal feeding operation facilities subject to NPDES permits.

Under the proposal, each type of facility will have an individual monetary amount associated with it. The fees will be assessed for each facility on an annual basis, with the exception of individual stormwater permits, which will continue to be assessed with the stormwater permit applications. A one-time application fee of \$85 will be assessed for each non-stormwater application for an NPDES permit.

The fee requirements are also proposed to remove the annual fee option for individual stormwater permits, and to remove the stormwater group application category, as group applications for stormwater permits are no longer accepted.

The hearing times and locations are as follows, listed alphabetically by city:

Audubon High School

Thursday, Dec.1, 7 p.m.

800 3rd Ave.

Directions: Enter on north and east side of building. Go to the second floor, watch for signs to room 206.

Burlington - Great River Area Education Agency 16

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

3601 West Avenue Rd.

Directions: Enter building on East side, follow signs to ICN room.

Cedar Rapids - Prairie High School

Thursday, Dec.1, 7 p.m.

401 76th Ave. SW

Directions: Enter parking lot, follow street to the right around back of building to new circular addition. Signs are posted on the street taking you around to new addition. Use the south door of the west wing in rear of the main building. Room 203 is located next to the library.

Chariton High School

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

501 N. Grand

Directions: Right turn in hall, follow to end, Room 116 is the last room on the right.

Council Bluffs - Loess Hills Area Education Agency 13

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

24997 Hwy 92

Directions: Enter building on east side, follow signs to ICN room.

Creston - Southwestern Community College

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2 p.m.

1501 West Townline Road

Directions: Room 211 in the Instructional Center

Davenport - Kimberly Center

Thursday, Dec.1, 7 p.m.

1002 W. Kimberly

Directions: Enter SW door - straight down hall to Room 119.

Des Moines - Iowa Department of Public Health

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

Lucas State Office Building

ICN Room, 6th floor

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5601 NE 7th St.

Directions: Parking in main lot outside main entry, enter building on west side, go down

hall, turn left, ICN at end in Auditorium Room #300

Fort Dodge - St. Edmond High School

Thursday, Dec.1, 7 p.m.

501 N. 22nd St.

Directions: Main entrance off N. 22nd St. Room 101.

Iowa Falls - Alden High School

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

1903 North Taylor

Directions: Enter building through front doors, follow signs to room S217.

Le Mars Community High School

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

921 3rd Ave. SW

Directions: Enter through the library door, go to Room 128.

New Hampton High School

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m.

710 W. Main

Directions: Enter using the west door on north side, follow signs to Room 210.

Manchester Public Library

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2 p.m.

304 N. Franklin St.

Directions: From main entrance (south side) go downstairs, turn right, walk down the hallway until you get to the stairs, turn right.

Mason City - North Iowa Area Community College

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2 p.m.

500 College Dr.

Directions: Activity Center, Room 106

Spencer Public Library

Thursday, Dec.1, 7 p.m.

21 E. Third St.

Directions: In adult area of library, sign on door.

Storm Lake - Iowa Central Community College

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2 p.m.

916 N. Russell

Directions: When entering the east entrance, go down hallways and take a left at corner. ICN room #16 is to the left.

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